

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1965, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

FOR the Amendment exempting the property of certain charitable organizations from local ad valorem taxes provided any such organization meets certain conditions, and expends at least One and One-half Million Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) annually for free hospital and medical care for the indigent within the State of Texas.

AGAINST the Amendment exempting the property of certain charitable organizations from local ad valorem taxes provided any such organization meets certain conditions, and expends at least One and One-half Million Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) annually for free hospital and medical care for the indigent within the State of Texas.

Sec. 3. The Governor of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election and this Amendment shall be published in the manner and for the length of time as required by the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Passed the Senate on March 16, 1965: Yeas 28, Nays 2; passed the House on March 31, 1965: Yeas 139, Nays 0.

Signed by the Governor April 13, 1965.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—EXECUTIVE OFFICES—TERMS

S. J. R. No. 14

Proposing Amendments to Sections 4, 22 and 23 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to provide a four-year term of office for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Commissioner of the General Land Office and Secretary of State; and certain statutory state officers; providing for the necessary election and the form of the ballot; and providing for the necessary proclamation and publication.

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 4, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 4. The Governor shall be installed on the first Tuesday after the organization of the Legislature, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and shall hold his office for the term of four years, or until his successor shall be duly installed. He shall be at least thirty years of age, a citizen of the United States, and shall have resided in this state at least five years immediately preceding his election."

Sec. 2. That Section 22, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 22. The Attorney General shall hold office for four years and until his successor is duly qualified. He shall represent the state in all suits and pleas in the Supreme Court of the state in which the state may be a party, and shall especially inquire into the charter rights of all private corporations, and from time to time, in the name of the state, take such action in the courts as may be proper and necessary to prevent any private corporation from exercising any power or demanding or col-

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lecting any species of taxes, tolls, freight or wharfage not authorized by law. He shall, whenever sufficient cause exists, seek a judicial forfeiture of such charters, unless otherwise expressly directed by law, and give legal advice in writing to the Governor and other executive officers, when requested by them, and perform such other duties as may be required by law. He shall reside at the seat of government during his continuance in office. He shall receive for his services an annual salary in an amount to be fixed by the Legislature."

Sec. 3. That Section 23, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 23. The Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Treasurer, the Commissioner of the General Land Office, and any statutory state officer who is elected by the electorate of Texas at large, unless a term of office is otherwise specifically provided in this Constitution, shall each hold office for the term of four years and until his successor is qualified; receive an annual salary in an amount to be fixed by the Legislature; reside at the Capital of the state during his continuance in office, and perform such duties as are or may be required by law. They and the Secretary of State shall not receive to their own use any fees, costs or perquisites of office. All fees that may be payable by law for any service performed by any officer specified in this Section or in his office, shall be paid, when received, into the State Treasury."

Sec. 4. The foregoing Constitutional Amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1965, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendments providing a four-year term of office for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Commissioner of the General Land Office, Secretary of State, and any statutory state officer who is elected by the electorate of Texas at large, unless a term of office is otherwise specifically provided in this Constitution."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendments providing a four-year term of office for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Commissioner of the General Land Office, Secretary of State, and any statutory state officer who is elected by the electorate of Texas at large, unless a term of office is otherwise specifically provided in this Constitution."

Sec. 5. Nothing contained in this Resolution shall be construed so as to extend the term of office of any officeholder previously elected to a two-year term.

Sec. 6. The Governor shall issue the necessary Proclamation for the said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this state.

Passed the Senate on March 23, 1965: Yeas 27, Nays 3; passed the House on April 20, 1965: Yeas 120, Nays 25.

Signed by the Governor April 27, 1965.